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1. CEAUSESCU USED INTERVIEW WITH ANKARA "DAILY NEWS" (SCINTEIA, NOV 23) TO MAKE FIRST PUBLISHED ROMANIAN COMMENT ON ECPC TO APPEAR SINCE BERLIN PREPARATORY MEETING NOV 17-19. INTERVIEW WAS HELD NOV 14, BEFORE MEETING, BUT CAN NEVER-THELESS BE TAKEN AS AUTHORITATIVE RESTATEMENT OF RCP'S LINE.

2. CEAUSESCU FORMULATES ECPC GOALS AS "EXCHANGE OF VIEWS OVER RESULTS OBTAINED TOWARD SECURITY AND PEACE IN EUROPE AND DEMOCRATIC DEVELOPMENT, AS WELL AS MEANS BY WHICH ALL FORCES SHOULD ACT TO IMPLEMENT PRINCIPLES ADOPTED AT HELSINKI." ECPC WILL BE "AN IMPORTANT MOMENT" IN "STRUGGLE FOR SECURITY, PEACE AND DEMOCRACY IN EUROPE". "ANY PARTY WHO WISHES TO" SHOULD PARTICIPATE. "IF" THERE IS A DOCUMENT ADOPTED, IT SHOULD BE "ONLY" BY "GENERAL CONSENSUS" OF PARTICIPANTS.

3. CEAUSESCU RESTATES USUAL RCP GROUND RULES: EACH PARTY MUST SET ITS OWN LINE IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATIONAL CONDITIONS, THERE CAN BE NO "GUIDING CENTER" FOR OTHER PARTIES, AND CP COLLABORATION IS BASED ON "FREE EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS" AND "PARTICIPATION IN THE STRUGGLE FOR SOLUTION OF PROBLEMS WHICH AFFECT ALL NATIONS" AND ARE "LED TO PROGRESS, DEMOCRACY, AND PEACE". CEAUSESCU ADDS FINAP

FILIP THAT "WITHOUT DOUBT" PROBLEM OF "NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER" (N.I.E.O.) WILL COME UP AT ECPC, EVEN THOUGH THIS IS PROBLEM AFFECTING ENTIRE WORLD, NOT JUST EUROPE.

4. COMMENT:
CEAUSESCU'S REMARKS COULD HARDLY BE MORE DILUTE AND LIMP TOWARD ECPC; HE PUTS INTO QUESTION EVEN NEED FOR ANY FINAL DOCUMENT AT ALL, IMPLIES THAT SOME EUROPEAN CP'S MIGHT NOT ATTEND, AND AS MUCH AS THREATENS TO RAISE NIEO ISSUES (WITH "RICH-POOR GAP" OVERTONES ANATHEMA TO SOVIET IDEOLOGISTS). CEAUSESCU'S REPEATED REFERENCES TO "DEMOCRACY" PRESUMABLY MEAN CARRY-OVER OF CSCE'S "DEMOCRATIC" INTERSTATE DECISION-MAKING APPROACH TO EUROPEAN PARTY SPHERE. MEANWHILE, IN LOCAL DIPLOMATIC CORPS, WE HAVE RARELY SEEN SOVIETS AND EAST

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GERMANS SO DEFENSIVE AND ILL AT EASE ABOUT A BERLIN MEETING AND THE YUGOSLAVS SO OUTSPOKEN ABOUT REGRESSION ON PATH OF ECPC PREPARATIONS, OR THE GAP BETWEEN "INDEPENDENTS" AND "ORTHODOX" PARTIES SO FREELY ACKNOWLEDGED. IN JOUSTING SESSION WITH CHARGE AT FINNISH AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE SOVIET AMBASSADOR BLUSTERED TO ALL WITHIN EARSHOT TOYT WILLNY-NILLY THERE WILL BE A EUROPEAN CP CONFERENCE BEFORE FEBRUARY SOVIET PARTY PLENUM. IN CHARACTERIZING

ROMANIAN ROLE AT BERLIN LAST WEEK SOVIET AMBASSADOR
GROUCHED "WITH FRIENDS LIKE THESE WHO NEEDS ENEMIES."
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